### FROM RICHMOND AND OTHER PARTS OF VIRGINIA.

## LEGISLATING IN RICHMOND

An Uneventful Day in the General Assembly of Virginia.

CLEANING CALENDARS

8. Circuit Court - Life Convict's Attempt to Regain His Liberty

Richmond, Va., Feb. 12.-The Senate and House were in session a comparatively short time to-day, but much was accomplished in the way of introducing bills and clearing the calends. The great majority of bills passed were of no especial interest.

NEW TELEPHONE COMPANY.

The House Committee on General ws met this morning to consider the bill to incorporate the Virginia Telephone and Telegraph Company. measure has passed the Senate. Senator Shands introduced it.

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The capital stock is to be not less than \$500,000, nor more than \$5,000,000. Messrs. John B. Purcell, John D. Horsley, R. S. Bosher, S. W. Travers, J. Taylor Ellyson, George L. Christian and R. B. Byrd are the corporators. This act confers very broad powers and it is claimed that it will seriously affect Richmond and other cities. City Attorney Pollard and members of the company did not know until Saturday that such a bill had been introduced in the General Assembly.
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U. S. COURT.

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The United States Circuit Court of Appeals reconvened this morning at 10 o'clock, with Judges Goff, Simonton and Morris on the bench.

No. 330—M. Gillies, master of steamship "Indrani," appellant, vs. Essex Holts, appellee, Appeal from District Court at Norfolk, Argued by Robert M. Hughes for appellant and by W. H. Burroughs and W. H. Arrington for appellee, and submitted.

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pellee, and submitted.
W. H. Arrington, of Newport News,
Va.; John C. Rose and John E. Semmes,
of Baltimore, Md., were admitted to
practice in this court.
Court then adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS.

The proceedings in the Virginia Su-preme Court to-day were as follows: Smith and others vs. Miller, trustee, Argued by Judge J. F. Strother for ap-pellants, and H. G. Moffett and J. C. Gibson for appellees, and contined until to-morrow.

The next cases to be called are Wad-ley vs. Commonwealth, and Metropoli-tan Insurance Co. vs. Rutherford. The court will not hear any more cases at this term after the above cases have been called.

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Jesse Ruffin, a life prisoner in the penitentiary, made a desperate effort to escape from that institution last night. He eluded the guards and attempted to lower himself from he wall. The rope broke, however, and his leg was fractured. The guards were aroused from their slumbers by the noise of the fall, and the man, being unable to run, was captured.

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FAILED TO RESPOND

Theodore F, Taylor, the defaulting deputy clerk of Henrico county, who was released some time ago on \$2,000 bail, was to have been tried to-day, but when his name was called he failed to appear. His bondsmen will have to capture him or pay up.

CALL ACCEPTED.

Rev. E. L. Goodwin, of Charleston, S. C., a brother of Rev. R. A. Goodwin, of Richmond, has accepted a call to St. Mark's Church, this city.

THE HAWKINS CASE.

The case of the Commonwealth against Oswald S. Hawkins, the Roanoke real estate agent, indited on about one dozen counts for forgery, resulted last night in a hung jury, eight being for acquittal and four for conviction. The Council also unanimously agreed to ask the Legislature to amend the present charter of the town, providing that the Mayer shall be elected for a period of two years instead of one, as at present, and that the terms of the Councilmen (six) shall be for one, two and three years. This change obviates having an entire set of new men put in charge of the affairs of the town

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ness men, negotiations are pending with the heirs of the Scott estate, at Cape Charles for obtaining from them a site for a pickle factory, and Philadelphia parties interested in the matter are in correspondence with Heinz & Co., of Pittsburg, the largest pickle manufacturers in the country, who have signified a desire to establish their plant here. The subject of climate, soil, labor, facilities for marketing and so on, have all been taken under careful notice; and it may be truly said that all conditions necessary point so directly to Cape Charles that there ought to be little or no trouble in inducing these gentlemen to locate their plant right here.

here.
In operating a pickle factory, not only uncumbers are used, but beans, cauliflower, onlons and the whole catalogue of vegetables which are grown so easily and abundantly here will be used.

Messrs. W. B. Wilson and R. L. Fletcher, of Cape Charles, are agents here for the Scott estate, They are conducting the negotiations.

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Saturday, February 3d, Capt. Edward Smith and Mr. James Doughty were called to their last account, each being well-known citizens and each at the head of a family. They were laid to rest Sunday, the 14th. Capt Smith resided at the old Capt. Parker place, and Mr. Doughty in Lower Northampton.

Mr. Thomas J. Wilkins, of Capeville, who had been a very sick man, is now on the road to recovery.

Evergreen Lodge, No. 105, A. F. and A. M., held an interesting called meeting in their hall in Parson's block Wednesday night. A goodly attendance and interesting floor work in the third degree characterized the occasion. This lodge was organized here in Cape Charles in April, 1887, and is in good condition.

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The many friends of Mr. D. H. Newhouse here gave him a warm welcome this morning and extended hearty congratulations on his good luck while in Baltimore the past month. He is one of our best Hebrew citizens. The "cards" will be issued later on!

The wife of Judge Wm. Fitchett, of Eastville, who had been quite sick, is convalescing.

Mr. Thos B. Robertson, the genial editor of the Eastville Herald, made his usual Saturday afternoon visit to Cape Charles on the 10th Instant. He comes among us for business, and always finds it.

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ways finds it.

An interesting missionary anniversary meeting is announced for Bethany Church next Sunday night. An interesting program, embracing fine music, will be presented.

Mr. W. J. Mapp. of Exmore, ignored the rain and came to our town to-day.

### NEWPORT NEWS.

TIRED OF LIFE-DEATH-RESIGNATION OF PASTOR. (Special to Virginian-Pilot.)

Newport News, Va., Feb. 12.-Luther Davis, a young white man, who has Davis, a young white man, who has been clerking on the piers, attempted to commit suicide last night by taking laudanum. Doctors were summoned and he was pumped out. He is still living, and will probably recover. No motive is assigned for the deed.

DIED IN JAIL.

Thos. J. Reydon was locked up Saturday by the police, having been found drunk on the street. Yesterday afternoon he died. He was suffering from kidney trouble, complicated with alcoholism.

### PASTOR RESIGNS.

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Rev. T. J. MacKay, pastor of Second Baptist Church, has offered his resignation. It went to his official board yesterday, and was referred back to him, most probably for revision. He will probably hand it in again Wednesday, and it will probably be accepted. Mr. MacKay, who has been the storm-center of the most flagrant reports affecting his integrity and morality, and who has been the especial object of abuse on the part of saloon men, whom he has consistently fought, said this morning that the resignation was entirely voluntary. "I had certain private reasons for handing in my resignation," he said; "it was not requested of me. No; I have no public reasons and I shall not talk about it."

This statement of the preacher is most flatly contradicted, it being stated that his resignation was asked for, and the reason it was not accepted was because it was not worded in accordance with the sentiment that prompted the demand.

Although many months have passed, the preached has not yet instituted suit for slander against the parties who were meet active in accusing him of immorality.

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Roanoke last night of the shooting of the Word of Second Baptist Church, has official board resistance. Firebugs had a Wostern freight train plassed about that time, and a prosped screech from the whistle gave residents an opportunity to escape and fight the flames.

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## SUFFOLK.

Judge Brooke Makes Eloquent Plea for Sam Beale.

Verdict Expected To-day - Several

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.) Suffolk, Va., Feb. 12.-The lawyers in case of Commonwealth vs. Beale finished their evidence to-day and went into the argument, which promises to be warm, strong and brilliant and blended with feeling.

At 6 o'clock this evening when court adjourned Judge Brooke had just made court-room was crowded. Some of the persons there attempted to applaud. There were several ladies present-relatives and friends of Mrs. Beale, who has been ill two of three days. Judge Brooke spoke one hour and three-quar-ters. He claimed that the charge of murder was not well founded—that his client had been persecuted.

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When the evidence was in at 3 o'clock Colonel Boykin, State's Attorney, addressed the jury an hour for the State. He outlined the case logically and at times pleaded with his characteristic cloquence and power. The jury and spectators listened almost breathlessly. The case, from a legal standpoint, is one of the most exciting battles isle of Wight has seen for years.

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Charles Jennings, a boy who lived on Beale's farm, and Tom Hines, the Windsor undertaker, testified to-day for the defense. Jennings denied that he had a club or knife in the yard when McDonald was attacked. The youth made a good witness for Beale. Hines told more about the details of finding the body, its position and appearance. Kenneth Urquhart, John Davis and Cicero Davis went on in rebuttal. They testified as to the good character of Luke Warren, whose testimony for the State had been contradicted. Warren was one of the star witnesses.

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To-morrow Judge Atkinson will convene court about 10:30 o'clock. It is expected that the case will get to the jury about 2 p. m. R. E. L. Watkins, of Franklin, will speak first in the morning for the defense. He will be followed by S. H. Edwards, of Isle of Wight, on the same side. William S. Holland will close for the defense. Then State's Attorney Boykin will have the last say to the jury. There will be eloquence by the cubic yard.

The attorneys are not limited as to time. Each side can talk as long as they may elect.

Counsel for the defense claim that their client will not be convicted. They say the State has not made out a strong case. Beale was much brighter to-day.

Colonel Boykin has put up a strong prosecution. No man can say what the result will be.

FIREBUGS AT WORK.

MRL ROBERT DOWNING,
Supported by
MISS HARRITETTE WEEMS
and a superb company, in
"AN INDIANA ROMANCE."
Prices—25, 10, 75c, and \$1. Seats now on
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The number of deeds put on recordince the January term was 144.
Adjourned till to-morrow.

ROBERT DOWNING.

Mr. Robert Downing will positively appear in person at the City Hall Theatre next Thursday night in "An Indiana Romance." Mr. Downing is too well-known to need comment. His leading lady is Miss Harriette Weems. She is one of the fair daughters of the South and there is none more talented. Although young in years, she has already held some of the highest positions, having been with Louis James. Thomas W. Keene, Creston Clarke and others, essaying the leading roles. The supporting company is one of unusual excellence. The people of Suffolk have a treat in store. Reserved seats now on sale at Siewart's drug store.

WOMAN SOLD WHISKEY. ROBERT DOWNING.

WOMAN SOLD WHISKEY. Lucinda Newsome, a colored woman, was charged before Justice Bunting with selling liquor without license. The violation was alleged to have been done in Barrestt's Neck. Lucinda was taxed \$100 and costs.

HIS HEAD GASHED.

A white man named Griggs, from the county, had an accident about 7 o'clock this evening on Sycamore street, which resulted in his head being badly split. The man was taken to J. P. Hall's drug store, where the gash was fixed up.

CREDITORS' MEETING.

There will be a meeting of the creditors of Charles Keller, who has been adjudicated a bankrupt, in Referee C. H. Causey's office on February 24th Most of them live in Manchester and Richmond and are those whose credits were extended some years ago.

SAID OF PERSONS.

Dr. A. S. Cheek has returned from a trip to Eastern Shore, Va.

Mr. R. H. Cobb, of Franklin, was in Suffolk to-day.

Mr. E. Tætterson and wife, of Norfolk, registered at the Commercial to-day.

Clerk of Courts Alvah H. Martin, of Norfolk county, was in Suffolk to-day.

### PETERSBURG

A Mother and Six of Her Children Burned to Death.

mattex River-Two Deaths-Rev Dr. W. J. Young's Sermon-Lilness.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)

of the Lansdowne steel bridge over the Appomattox river, near the silk mills which has been built for the Richmond, Petersburg and Carolina railroad, is about completed. The bridge is fifty about completed. The bridge is fifty feet in height. The wooden trestle for the road, which extends from West High street and connects with the steel bridge above mentioned, where the latter crosses the Norfolk and Western railway, near Fleet street, is rapidly approaching completion.

A delegation from Nottoway county, consisting of Messrs. T. M. Dillard, Freeman Epes and Jos. W. Hunt, passed through here this morning en route to Richmond to appear before the Legislature to-morrow and urge the granting of the charter for the Richmond and Washington railroad.

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Street Methodist Church, at Lynchburg, preached at Market Street M. E.
Church yesterday morning in the interest of the twentieth century movement. A liberal contribution to the
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### DEATHS.

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Mr. William Campbell, one of the best known printers in the State, who for years past has been employed at the Index-Appeal newspaper office, died yesterday morning at the Home for the Sick after a brief illness. The deceased came to Petersburg from Richmond somewhere about 1850, and subsequently engaged in the newspaper business with the late A. F. Crutchfield, the style of the firm being A. F. Crutchfield & Co., publishers of the Petersburg Dally Express newspaper. The firm continued the publication for some time, after which it was sold to T. Jefferson Clarke & Co.

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Mr. Campbell leaves one son, Mr. William Campbell, of Richmond. The funeral took place this afternoon from the Home for the Sicks.

Mr. I. C. Davis, whose illness from grip and heart trouble has been announced, died at his home on Jefferson street this morning at 3 c clock. He was a native of Surry county. He came to Felersburg about fifty years ago, and after clerking for a while he engaged in the grocery business for himself on Sycamore street. He afterwards hecame associated in the same line of trade with Mr. — Dearning, their store being on Bank street, Mr. Davis was afterwards engaged in the wholesale grocery business on Old street, the style of the firm being Davis, Roper & Co. Of recent years Mr. Davis was afterwards engaged in the wholesale grocery business on Old street, the style of the firm being Davis, Roper & Co. Of recent years Mr. Davis was afterwards engaged in the wholesale grocery business on Old street, the style of the firm being Davis, Roper & Co. Of recent years Mr. Davis was afterwards engaged in the wholesale grocery business on Old street, the style of the firm being Davis, Roper & Co. Of recent years Mr. Davis was afterwards engaged in the grocery business of the firm being Davis has not been engaged in any kind of business. He was one of the purest and best

Mr. W. L. Butts, an old and well known citizen, was taken seriously and suddenly ill yesterday, but to-day his condition is much improved. Mrs. W. E. Boisseau, of Prince George, is quite ill.

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Intelligence was received here to-day of a horrible occurrence in Sussex county, near Stony creek, last Saturday night, which resulted in the burning to death of Martha Smith, colored, and six of her children. It seems that the house either caught or was set on fire, and before the occupants could leave the house they were burned to death. Only one member of the family—a boy—escaped, and he did so by jumping from a window.

FAIN-KILLER, so justly celebrated, was introduced to the public about skry years are, and now endoys a popularity inequalicit by any other medicine. For the cure of dysentery, cholera morbus, rheumatism, coughs and colds, seales, burns etc., it is without an equal. Sold by all drugg'sis. Avoid substitutes there is but one Pain-Killer, Perry Davis', Price 25a, and 50a.



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For Albuminuria Bright's Disease, CHRONIC AND ACUTE

Samuel O. L. Potter, A.M., M.D., M.R.C.P., London, Professor of the Principles and Practice of Medicine in the College of Physicians and Surgeons, San Francisco, a recognized authority wherever medical science is known, in his handbook of Pharmacy, Materia Medica and Therapeutics, under head of ALBUMINURIA, page 600, 7th edition, in the citation of reme-665. tion of reme-"BUFFALO LITHIA WATER of Virginia is highly dies, Isays: BUFFALO LITHIA WATER recommended."

Under head of CHRONIC BRIGHT'S DISEASE, page 601, same edition, in the citation of remedies, he says: "Mineral Waters, ESPECIALLY THE BUFFALO LITHIA WATER of Virginia, which has many advocates."

## "A Veritable Antidote

For Albuminuria & Bright's Diséase, Chronic and Acute.''

Dr. William H. Drummond, Professor of Medical Jurisprudence, Bishop's University, Montreal, Canada: "In the Acute and Chronic Nephritis [BRIGHT'S DISEASE], of Gouty and Rheumatic Origin, as well as in the graver Albuminuria BUFFALO LITHIA WATER to act of Pregnancy, I have found BUFFALO LITHIA WATER to act VERITABLE ANTIDOTE, and I know of NO OTHER NATURAL AGENT POSSESSING THIS IMPORTANT QUALITY."

Dr. E. C. Laird, Resident Physician, Hot Springs, N. C.

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"Bright's Disease in every STEFFALO LITTIE MATER: many cases large amounts of albumen, epithelium, hyaline and granular casts entirely disappear from the urine under its action, while in those whose kidneys are too far gone to hope for permanent benefit, all those distressing symptoms are ameliorated in an astonishing degree. In Albuminuria of Pregnancy I know of no remedy at all comparable to this water."

BUFFALO LITHIA WATER is for sale by Grocers and Druggists generally. Testimonials which defy all imputation or questions sent to any address,

PROPRIETOR, BUFFALO LITHIA SPRINGS, YIRGINIA.

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Ellyson, and this was followed by a reception at Mr. Ellyson's reidence in honor of Mr. Bryan.

From 8 to 10 o'clock, at the Jefferson Hotel, Mr. Bryan held a more general public reception, which was very largely attended.

THE GOLD DEMOCRATS. Mr. Bryan this morning gave the fol-lowing authorized interview: "What are the prospects for Demo-cratic success this year?" asked the re-

porter.
"I think they are improving every

porter.

"I think they are improving every day."

"Do you find gold Democrats coming back?"

"Yes, in large numbers. The gold Democrats who left us can be divided into two classes: 1st, those who left us because they knew the real nature of the struggle and deliberately choose the plutocratic side, as against the Democratic side.

"These will not come back and would not help the party if they did. Rallroad attorneys, who are more interested in the rallroads than in the people; newspapers, whose owners are beneficiaries of class legislation; bankers, who want to secure control of the nation's currency, and money-lenders, who want to make the dollar dear for their own pecuniary advantage, will not come back, and—would do the party more harm than good if they did, because they would be a disturbing element.

"In order to know why a man holds a certain opinion, you have to know his pecuniary interest in the triumph of

"It is not a fight of the poor against the rich. It is a fight between those who want to acquire wealth by honest means and those who have been described as the predatory classes. "It is a fight between those who are willing to work, and only ask that they may enjoy the rewards of their own toll, and those, on the other hand, who desire to use the instrumentalities of government for private gain."

PARAMOUNT ISSUES IN 1900.

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Asked what, in his opinion, would be the paramount issue of the canvass of 1900. Colonel Bryan said:

"There are three great issues which now share public attention. They are money, trusts and imperialism. Men differ as to their relative importance, and circumstances will do much to determine which will exert the greater influence.

"The Republicans are on the defensive on all three of these great questions."

FUTURE APPOINTMENTS.

# BRYAN VISITS OLD VIRGINIA BEST FOR THE BOWELS

If you haven







## The Center.

A brightly illuminated store is always the center of attraction for shoppers.

> Our new enclosed arc lamps give magnificent opportunities for illuminating large rooms attractively at a very small out-

It will pay you to consult us about lighting places of business.

Norfolk Mr. Bryan leaves to-morrow morning for Raleigh, N. C. He has announced his engagements as follows:
Chapel Hill, Wednesday, February 15th; Brookeville, Fla., February 16th (he will spend three days at this point with his cousin, Mr. W. S. Jennings); Tampa, Fla., February 20th; Jackson, Miss., February 21st; Columbus, Ga., February 22d; Atlanta, Ga., February 23d; Nashville, Tenn., February 24th, and Memphis, Tenn., February 25th. Railway and Light Comp'y.